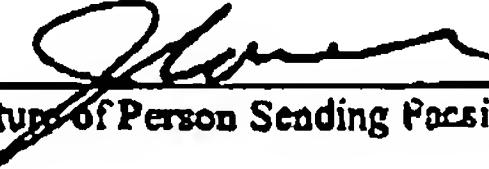


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AMENDMENT AND REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Commissioner:

In reply to the Final Office Action dated October 19, 2006, wherein this Reply is timely filed within the two-month period for receiving an Advisory Action, please consider the following amendments and remarks.

Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2814.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

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